

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 711

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A RESOLUTION to honor Elizabethton Police Department Captain Jerry Bradley for his courageous actions in the line of duty.

WHEREAS, the Volunteer State is proud to be the home of thousands of valiant men and women who serve as law enforcement officers; these intrepid professionals continue the time-honored tradition of public service by protecting and serving the good people of the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Elizabethton Police Department Captain Jerry Bradley is one such exceptional law enforcement officer who was recently recognized by the Elizabethton City Council for his courageous actions in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, in February 2016, Captain Bradley sustained gunshot wounds during a shootout in the woods with an armed suspect who had multiple warrants for his arrest; and

WHEREAS, Captain Bradley received the Silver Cross from Elizabethton Mayor Curt Alexander for sustaining serious physical injuries as a result of hostile behavior of a subject with a deadly weapon and a Medal of Honor in recognition of his distinguished performance of official duty by an act of courage involving risk of imminent danger to his life with knowledge of the risk; and

WHEREAS, on February 19, 2016, Captain Bradley and other Elizabethton police officers were pursuing an armed suspect in a wooded area of the Southside community when gunfire ensued and Captain Bradley sustained two gunshot wounds; and

WHEREAS, in the face of certain danger, Captain Bradley never wavered from his duty to apprehend a dangerous subject; and

WHEREAS, Captain Jerry Bradley is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the Volunteer State, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we commend Elizabethton Police Department Captain Jerry Bradley for his courageous actions in the line of duty, thank him for his honorable and astute service to the good people of Elizabethton and the State of Tennessee, and salute his unswerving commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.